

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

# THIS WEEK AT ST. OWEN

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	MASS INTENTIONS	SCRIPTURE READINGS	CALENDAR EVENTS				
Saturday, January 15	Intentions of Lincoln Shadaya Req. by Sue Hesano & Family	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a Mk 2:13-17	11:00am Funeral: P. Lombardi 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass				
Sunday, January 16	9am Mass Intentions of Owen Wolfe Req. by parishioner	Is 62:1-5 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass				
	11am Mass <b>Donald Kilrain</b> Req. by Patricia Khan						
Monday, January 17	Imad Daboul Req. by Sue Hesano & Family	1 Sm 15:16-23 Mk 2:18-22	Martin Luther King Day St. Anthony, Abbot Parish Office Closed 9:00am Mass (Rosary after Mass) 11:00am Funeral: J. Bohn				
Tuesday, January 18	Shirley Colaluca Req. by Rick & Tess Aneiros	1 Sm 16:1-13 Mk 2:23-28	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 9:00am Mass				
Wednesday, January 19		1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 Mk 3:1-6	9:30am Knit/Crochet Group-Center 9:30am Scripture Study via Zoom 6:30pm Handbell Carillon Rehearsal 7:30pm Adult Chorale Rehearsal				
Thursday, January 20	Susan Chambers Req. by Joe & Peggy Pero	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 Mk 3:7-12	St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr St. Sebastian, Martyr 9:00am Mass (Rosary after Mass) 6:00pm Madrigal Chorale 7:30pm AA Meeting-Center				
Friday, January 21	Hayat Daboul Req. by Sue Hesano & Family	1 Sm 24:3-21 Mk 3:13-19	St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr 9:00am Mass				
Saturday, January 22	<b>Deacon Michael Von Ende</b> Req. by Joe & Peggy Pero	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 Mk 3:20-21	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children 11:00am Sacrament of Reconciliation for Faith Formation Students 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass				
Sunday, January 23	9am Mass Susan Chambers Req. by Joe & Peg Dasovic  11am Mass Gordon Johnston Req. by John Johnston	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr St. Marianne Cope, Virgin 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass				



# A NOTE FROM FATHER MIKE

Walking into the 2022 life we are greeted with new beginnings and new challenges. Some of the new beginnings here at the parish include live streaming liturgies and screens that hopefully help us to worship together. Our live streaming is found on YouTube and our channel is "St. Owen Parish." We are working to put the link onto our web site, but we are not quite there yet.

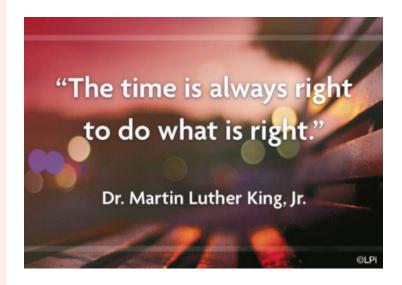
New beginnings in our 2022 include the young people in our midst who are readying themselves for sacraments of penance, confirmation and Eucharist. My thanks to the many catechists who work with our young people in preparation for these sacramental moments in their life -- I am amazed to watch the enthusiasm and focus of our young people each Monday during Faith Formation.

My many thanks again to all who helped set up and take down our holiday decorations – we are so blessed by their efforts.

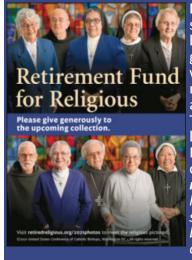
Fr. Mike











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#### FIRST READING

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)



#### **PSALM**

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. (Ps 96)



#### SECOND READING

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these,
distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)



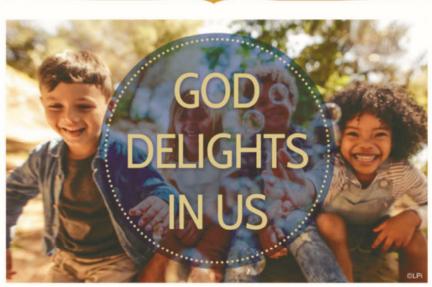
#### GOSPEL

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

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# WORSHIP & MEDITATION



#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

#### **Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture**

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

#### YOUTH GROUP



<u>Parent/Teen Mission Trip Meeting</u> was held this past Tuesday. If you were unable to attend or have questions, please email (stowenyouthgroup@gmail.com) or call to gather the information discussed. Important criteria, procedures, expectations, CTS class, etc were identified. We have had 2 major fundraising events already with a few more to go. Like everything else, the costs have increased considerably, so we need all teens to pitch in with our upcoming **CAN**<u>Drive</u> in February & <u>Bake Sale</u> in March.

This summer we are attending a trip right here in Michigan....Port Huron!



Mission trips are designed to serve those who are most in need in a given community. But service experiences which connect action with faith benefit so many more people:

- the youth who serve and live out their discipleship
- the parish community back home which benefits from the enthusiasm for service which mission trips create in youth
- the families who accompany their teens through prayer, love, and support, and even serving on the week
- the community which gets the help of these young disciples during the week of service.

The name of the organization is called Group Mission Trips. The crews will have an opportunity to build community with each other and with the people being served. The teens are also asked to reflect on how they can bring their experience home—to their families, to their faith communities, and to those in need.



**Roller Skating** is scheduled for afternoon of January 23. Dust off your roller skates (if you have some) or rent some and join us for a fun afternoon.

Permission slips due Monday, January 17 can be found in your email.

#### Calendar

January 23 Roller Skating

February 6 Youth Liturgy, 11am. Education Meeting, 7PM

#### LOVING--SERVING-GROWING!

Let each of these actions be seen in everything we do!

#### **FAITH FORMATION CORNER...**



We return to Ordinary Time. Consider it anything but ordinary. This Monday, we

celebrate the life and service of Martin Luther King, Jr. Consider it a "day on not a day off." Let us continue to live our baptismal call by being the face of Christ for others. What can you do to make a difference? Martin Luther King, Jr. had a dream to change the world, and transcend racial barriers. He is remembered for his exceptional moral qualities such as truth, courage, and justice. If you are able, we invite you to complete a simple service as an individual or with your family, to continue the call, and make a difference. Turn ordinary into extraordinary!



Prayers make a difference, and so many are in need of prayer at this time of year. We are also called to pray for all of those on the journey of faith. Please pray especially for our young children

that will be experiencing First Reconciliation on Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.



Also included in this week's bulletin, is a call for Altar Servers, if you know someone interested that has served in the past, or is new to the ministry, please

have them complete and return the form, or contact Brian and Kathy Murphy.

A powerful thought to reflect on this week, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?" - MLK

Winter Blessings, Kathy Susalla Rochon Faith Formation Director krochonstowen@gmail.com

#### Reminder:

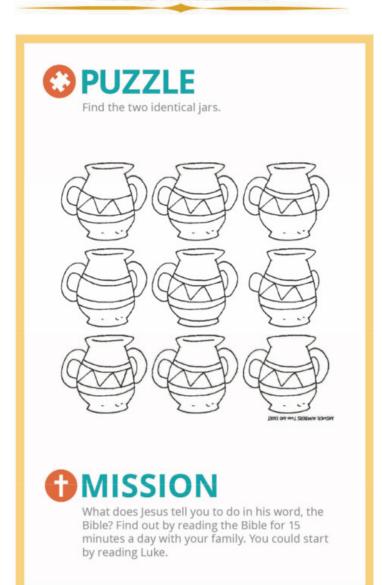
January 17 – No Session – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Day Observed

January 24 – All Sessions Resume

January 31 – All Sessions Meet

## KIDS CORNER





# Attention: Calling all 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> Graders! We need you!

St Owen will begin to have altar servers at mass once again, and we need volunteers to assist Fr Mike!

Altar Servers are children or teens who assist the priest at the Altar during mass. It can involve anything from carrying candles, helping to set the altar, etc.

Families who are interested in having their children become altar servers can use the form on the bottom of this page.

A training session will take place in early 2022!



The liturgy is the work of all the people. Servers add a dimension to the liturgy that enhances it as they assist the presider with the celebration.

Please detach, complete and return the following to Faith Formation or to the Parish Office!

Child's Name :		Child's Grade:	
Child's Name :		Child's Grade:	
Parent's Name:		I would like to volunteer to help: yes	no
Email Address:	Phone #:		

#### **ADULT SPIRITUALITY**

The viral surge is not going to stop us! Meetings and appointments will be offered remotely until it is safe to gather in person.

Scripture study continues online via ZOOM on **Wednesday, January 19 from 9:30 – 11:00 AM**. All are welcome! To request a link to the meeting please email Nancy Mason Bordley at Parishserv@aol.com

Mark your calendar! Our next **Women's Spirituality** gathering will be held **Thursday, February 3 from 10 – 11:30 AM** via ZOOM. We will explore the history and practice of **Spiritual Direction** and discuss how it can be a tool for discernment and deepening our faith. Join us for a morning of friendship and conversation! To register for a ZOOM link for the meeting please send a request to <u>Parishserv@aol.com</u>



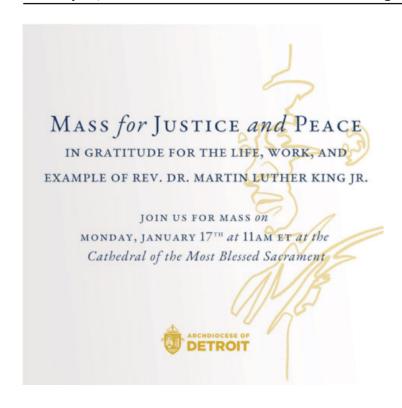
We are excited to announce that we will be hosting several opportunities for the St. Owen community to participate in the Synod process that Pope Francis has initiated. Gatherings will be set up to meet everyone's needs – morning, afternoon, evening and several remote opportunities for those who prefer to meet online. EVERYONE is invited and encourage to join the discussion, including those who have been away from the practice of their faith. Pope Francis wants to hear from everyone, even those who have left the Church. NO ONE is left out or not included! And all the feedback that we gather from the discussions will be summarized locally and sent DIRECTLY to Rome.

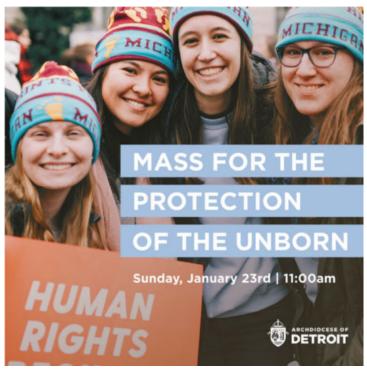
Consider hosting a mini synod in your home and gather your family members, friends, and neighbors. Spread the word!

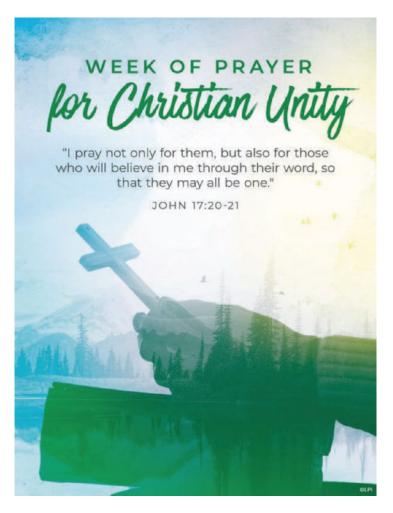
#### What can YOU Do Now?

To prepare together we have some questions for you to reflect and pray upon. Questions like these will be used in our conversation together:

- How are we announcing the Gospel (Good News) today at St. Owen?
- Who else do we need to reach out to, listen to and learn from?
   Whose voices are currently not being heard? Who is absent from our gatherings?
- What do you think would make our parish better? What am I willing to do to make it better?
- How do we see our parishioners becoming more aware of how much their insights and ideas count –
   and need to be heard?
- What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow as a faith community?











#### FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

#### OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTION REPORT

Offertory for the week of January 9: \$8,402.

YTD Budgeted Contributions: \$407,720.\*

YTD Actual Contributions: \$410,486.\*

Over Budget \$ 2,766.

\*Includes WeShare online giving and all Christmas giving.

## Thank you!!

#### **Year End Contribution Statements**

Contribution statements for 2021 will be sent out by the end of January to registered parishioners who have donated \$250 or more. Thank you for your generosity.





Thank you for your continued financial support of St. Owen Parish. Please consider giving online. To do so, scan this QR code with your smartphone and you will be directed to WeShare online giving.

#### Liturgical Minister Schedule January 22-23, 2022

\*Substitute may replace a scheduled minister after publication.

Ushers: A&B	Lectors*	
Saturday, January 22	R. Gumbleton	
5:00 p.m.	B. Lampertius	
Sunday, January 23 9:00 a.m.	M. Leedom	
Sunday, January 23	S. Angel	
11:00 a.m.	T. Martin	

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Diane McShane (Dec 2021) Peter Grantz (Nov 2021) Marian Klemer (Nov 2021) Rose Dalton (Nov 2021) lan Carmichael (Oct 2021) Megan Mabee (Oct 2021) Msgr. Monticello (June 2021) Pam Healy Hurley (June 2021) John Burlingame (May 2021) Steve Whiting (May 2021) Mark Kelly (May 2021) Kenneth Roy (Feb 2021) Paul Krass (Dec 2020) Mary Lou Schmidt (Nov 2020) Joseph Madden (Nov 2020) Bev VonEnde (Oct 2020) Father James Cronk (Sept 2020) Mike Donovan (Sept 2020) Eileen Poth (Aug 2020) Pam Biglin (Feb 2020)

George Fenton (Dec 2019) Jalila Kainaya (Nov 2019) Betty Bright (Nov 2019) Lila Fenech (Nov 2019) Pat Devine (Oct 2019) Sheila Callahan (Oct 2019) Margaret Fuchs (Sept 2019) Mark Crawford (August 2019) Elisabeth Ebisawa (July 2019) Polly Brennan (July 2019) Norma Tioran (May 2019) Fred Hillard (Feb 2019) Jim Holden (Feb 2019) Donna Kelly (Sept 2018) Joann Holden (Aug 2018) Sawyer Ziegelman (June 2018) Armed Forces & Veterans First Responders Missionaries

Healthcare Personnel

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers and would like to remain confidential, may we suggest you request prayers from the Prayer Line Ministry. Call Rita Lou at 248-851-0595.

#### **Prayer List:**

To add or make a change to this prayer list please call Angela in the parish office at 248-626-0840.

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WEEKEND MASS	VEEKDAY MASS

WEEKEND MASS SATURDAY: 5:00 PM SUNDAY: 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM WEEKDAY MASS MONDAY: 9:00 AM TUESDAY: 9:00 AM THURSDAY: 9:00 AM FRIDAY: 9:00 AM

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